GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2553
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PRISONS UNDER CONCURRENT LIST
Gandhi Smt. Maneka

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal from the Bureau of Police Research & Development to bring prisons under the concurrent list for the funding of prison reforms and its modernisation;and

(b) if so,the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) & (b): No,Sir.However,the Committee constituted by MHA for framing draft national policy on prison reforms and correctional administration while submitting its report in July 2007 has made following recommendation:

"The subject of prisons and allied institutions may be included in the Concurrent List of the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India."

The decision on the aforesaid recommendation will be taken after wide consultation with the State Governments.All the recommendations of the Committee have already been sent to all the States/UTs for seeking their views on the done.